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TRANSMITTAL OF APPEAL BRIEF

Transmitted herewith is the Appeal Brief in this application with respect to the Notice of Appeal filed on December 2, 2009 . The fee for filing this Appeal Brief is \$540.00 (37 CFR 41.20). □ No Additional Fee Required. (complete (a) or (b) as applicable) The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) apply.

(a) Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 (fees: 37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d)) for the total number of months checked below:

1st Month \$130

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\$490

3rd Month \$1110

4th Month \$1730

The extension fee has already been filed in this application.

☑(b) Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

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Respectfully submitted.

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